

Milwaukee County

Board of Supervisors

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NACo DRUG DISCOUNT CARD SAVES THOUSANDS

Discount available to all Milwaukee County residents with no strings attached

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County residents saved more than \$22,000 dollars on prescription drug costs last year, thanks to a discount drug card offered by the National Association of Counties (NACo).

The program allows counties to distribute free prescription drug discount cards offering an average savings of 20% off common retail prescription prices. Since Milwaukee County launched the program last June, County residents have saved \$22,702. Those savings exceed what Milwaukee County pays in dues to NACo on an annual basis.

Supervisor Richard D. Nyklewicz, Jr., said, "As health care costs escalate and the number of insured people decreases, this benefit does provide significant relief from the high prices of prescription drugs that families across this state are otherwise expected to absorb in their already tight personal budgets."

The cards have no enrollment form or membership fee. They may be used at any participating pharmacy by any county resident regardless of age or income.

"I would like to commend Supervisor Nyklewicz for all his hard work on getting this prescription drug card program moving," said County Board Chairman Lee Holloway. "The program is still underutilized, and I will be working with my fellow Supervisors to get more information out to our citizens."

To obtain a card, Milwaukee County residents can call the Milwaukee County Department of Health and Human Services at 414-289-6817. For more information about NACo's free prescription drug discount card, call toll free 1-877-321-2652 or visit http://naco.advancerx.com.

Supervisor Nyklewicz is Vice-Chairman of the Milwaukee County Board and is the Wisconsin Counties Association's elected representative to the National Association of Counties Board of Directors.